

**BEFORE THE CANTERBURY REGIONAL COUNCIL (CRC)**

**IN THE MATTER OF** the Resource Management Act 1991 ('the RMA')

**AND** A RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATION by Oceania Dairy Limited under section 88 of the RMA for the construction of a 7.5 kilometre pipeline and discharge of treated wastewater from a milk-processing factory situated at 30 Cooney's Road, Glenavy, into the Coastal Marine Area.

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**MINUTE OF THE HEARINGS PANEL**

**15 JULY 2020**

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- 1 The Commissioners have today, 15 July 2020, received a letter from Lesley Te  
Maihara-Sykes, (**Ms Sykes**) Secretary of Waitaha Taiwhenua o Waitaki Trust  
(**Trust**) dated 31 May 2020.
- 2 This letter was sent directly to Oceania Dairy Limited (**Applicant**), who only received  
it yesterday, 14 July 2020, and has forwarded it onto us for consideration.
- 3 The letter is written in support of the submission of Te Runanga o Waiaho and seeks  
to be heard.
- 4 It is unclear from the letter whether the Trust is seeking to file a late submission in  
opposition to the application or seeking to provide evidence at the hearing in support  
of the submission by Te Runanga o Waiaho.
- 5 This is an important distinction as if it is intended to be a late submission, there are  
consequences that may extend beyond this hearing, such as appeal rights.
- 6 Accordingly, we request that the Trust advise us of how it would like us to treat its  
letter with reference to the two options above in paragraph 4. If it is intended to be a  
late submission, at a minimum the following information is to be provided:
- (a) When Ms Sykes became aware of the application or any person in the  
Trust became aware of the application; and
  - (b) Reasons for late submission and why it was not lodged in time.
- 7 Ms Sykes is of course welcome to seek appropriate advice on this issue.
- 8 In addition, we note that the applicant when forwarding this letter to us,  
advised that it does not object to Ms Sykes speaking to this letter at the hearing  
on behalf of the Trust. However, it is unclear if the applicant's position would be  
the same if this letter was treated as a late submission.
- 9 Accordingly, we request that both the Trust and the Applicant advise us, at the  
outset of the hearing regarding the matters described above, or if possible  
before that start of the hearing in writing. Any correspondence should be  
directed to Alison Cooper, Hearings Administrator at CRC Email: Alison Cooper  
[hearings@ecan.govt.nz](mailto:hearings@ecan.govt.nz)
- 10 Once this information is received, the Commissioners will make a decision  
regarding how to treat the letter from the Trust.



Paul Rogers

**Independent Commissioner – Chair – on Behalf of the Panel**

Dated: 15 July 2020